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From the Superintendent...

Cindy Green, LHS Class of 1976, was selected in November to serve as Interim Superintendent of Lakeview School District through the end of the school year during the Board's search for the next superintendent.



As we enter this new calendar year, I am excited and honored to join the staff and students of Lakeview School District. I have had the opportunity to visit all the schools and meet current staff. It is clear that Lakeview staff support students, work hard, and aim for high expectations. Lakeview School District strives for excellence all the time.

We have several projects to keep us focused during the six months I will serve as interim superintendent. I look forward to providing updates on these priorities over the next several months. Our key areas of focus include:

- **Continuing to serve our students with the best opportunities possible.**

Our goal is always to guide students for high academic achievement while supporting the whole child by creating opportunities for students to grow socially and emotionally. A vital part of that is a commitment by the Board of Education, staff and community to recognize, inform and celebrate the diversity of people, cultures, experiences and ideas represented in our schools.

- **Observing the district's Centennial and 100 years of Spartan pride!** Lakeview has a rich history of teaching and



learning excellence and community support. Mark your calendars for Saturday, May 7 and plan to join students, staff, retirees and alumni to reminisce and celebrate our past, present and future. Please watch for a special article about the history of Lakeview School District coming soon in the Shopper.

- **Planning and execution of the bond project.** The Lakeview Board of Education in December approved many projects to start in the summer of 2022. This includes improving our elementary classrooms with new casework and new playground equipment. For the high school, there will be new electrical work completed as well as a new track and football field. The middle school project will continue as the design phase continues this spring. Thank you, thank you to Lakeview voters for supporting these important updates.

- **Completing the superintendent search.** The search process began last fall and has included the collection of staff, student, parent and community feedback around the district's next leader. The Board will hold first round interviews on February 23 and 24 starting at 5:00 pm in the Lakeview High School Forum. All interviews will be open to the public and the community is encouraged to attend and provide feedback to the Board.

This newsletter highlights just a few of the many wonderful opportunities available to Lakeview students. You can learn more about these projects, upcoming events and the many other things taking place in your Lakeview schools on the district website at www.lakeviewspartans.org and on the district Facebook page at LakeviewSpartans.

With Spartan pride!

Cindy Green
Superintendent

Pistons' Execs Coach LHS Students on Career & Education

A group of Lakeview High School students and alumni spent a January afternoon in Detroit for a one-of-a-kind career exploration opportunity. Students were hosted by the Detroit Pistons organization as participants in a Black Excellence Panel designed exclusively for Lakeview students engaged in programs supported by the Lakeview African American Liaison Office.

While the trip included a tour of the Little Caesars Arena and Performance Center, a behind the scenes look at the team training area and tickets to the Pistons' game that night; students shared that the highlight of the trip was the opportunity to engage with a panel of Black executives representing the national basketball organization.

LHS freshman Amina Coulson Walters shared, "The panel was inspiring to me because I got to see people who look like me talk about each and every one of their unique journeys. This was a unique moment and one that I will always cherish."

Khyle Jamierson, LHS Class of 2021, who also served as a mentor and chaperone on the trip, said, "Seeing that many powerful African American figures was one of the most enriching experiences in my life. It showed that we as minorities, especially African Americans...can succeed in predominantly white careers and education."

Created by Lakeview African American Liaison Dana Canales Jamierson, the experience is part of a broader effort to pair career and workforce options with educational opportunities for students of color.

Canales Jamierson shared, "This was an incredible opportunity to expose students to the many facets of corporate business. They now recognize that professional sports organizations are not just for athletes, but view them as a hiring entity and a door to numerous career paths."

The panel discussion allowed students to talk to high ranking executives directly about their education, professional and

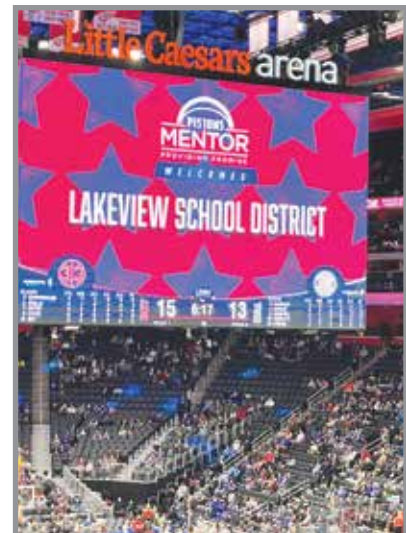
personal experiences in achieving that level of career success.

LHS junior Naszear Thomas said, "It was amazing to see what (opportunities) are out there for people who look like me. The panel worked hard for what they got, they put in a lot of work, and I can be there too."

Canales Jamierson said one of the biggest takeaways is that the students have created a long lasting relationship within the Pistons executive team to hopefully shadow their desires to one day come and be a part of the Detroit Pistons Dream Executive Team.

LHS sophomore K'Vionna Hightower summed up the experience by saying, "There is no limit, no matter what your skin color is."

The event was made possible by donors from the BCCF and the Lakeview African American Office. We want to thank the community as a whole for contributing to future workforce development of our kids and promoting them a better and secure future.



MISSION STATEMENT

The purpose of the Lakeview School District Board of Education is to represent the public's interest in providing equitable educational experiences in a safe learning environment that develop knowledgeable, healthy, responsible citizens who contribute and flourish in the global community.

AP Computer Science Students Continue to Learn Online & Onsite

The two week period of online coursework was challenging but great learning strides continued at LHS! Students in Mrs. Cover's AP Computer Science Principles class recently completed a major project, filtering datasets to use in apps. With the help of Lists, Conditionals, Traversals, Functions, and Variables, students Dawt Sung and Geneve Par examined states and their populations, filtered to those after a chosen date in history.



LHS Singers Perform with State Honors Choir

Four Lakeview High School singers performed with the Michigan School Vocal Music Association's State Honors Choir on Saturday, January 29. Zachary Brooks, Carter Black, Jacob Reinstein, and Grace Cox, all Seniors, spent the weekend with the choir rehearsing for their 3:00 pm performance in DeVos Hall as the culmination of the Michigan Music Conference, held in Grand Rapids every January. The singers earned their spots in the honors choir through a series of two auditions, one in October and one in December. Thousands of students audition and about 250 are selected to be in the group. Congratulations to those outstanding singers!



Lakeview DECA Qualifies for the Michigan DECA State Career Development Conference

Lakeview students recently achieved excellent results in the 2021-2022 District III Michigan DECA Competition held at the WMU School of Business. Some 85% of members qualified for the upcoming State Career Development Conference in

Detroit. Younger students, new to DECA, practiced long and hard, taking special pride and joy in the experience. This attitude and commitment is what makes Lakeview DECA a strong and successful organization!



Japanese 3 Treasure Hunt Leads to Food, Fun & Learning

Every year **Japanese 3 students** conclude the unit on giving and receiving directions by writing clues for a treasure hunt. The clues teams write lead other teams to their bagel treasures. Afterwards, everyone celebrates in room A103 with bagels and juice, and students reflect on which teams had the most creative clues and hiding spot.



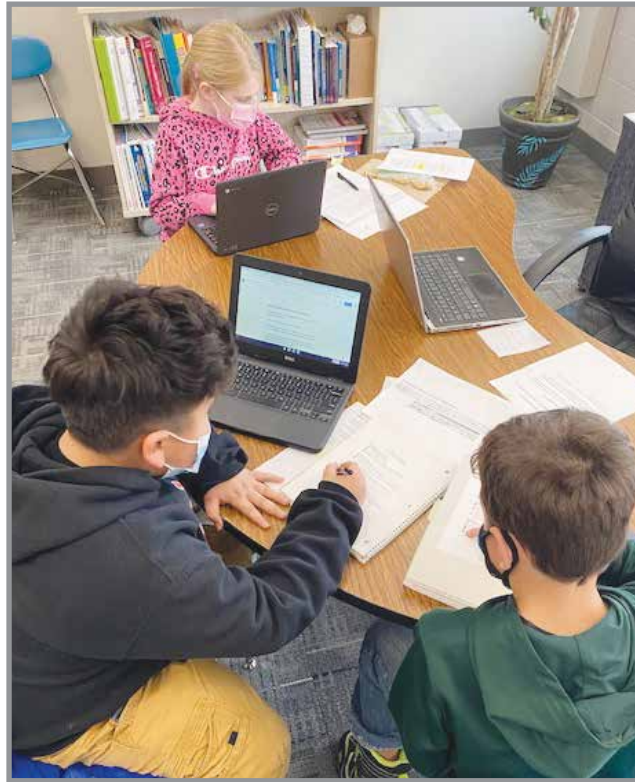
Westlake Robotics Club Are Problem Solvers

Westlake Robotics Club competed in their competition on Saturday and won the "Problem Solution Award" for coming up with a solution to the team challenge of how to increase distribution of cargo. Students not only developed a scanner but also a way for people to get packages through an ATM, and a zip line that delivers packages to homes. It's a real world problem that we are facing today!! We are so proud of their hard work and their awesome coach Mrs. Smith!

Junior Achievement and the CACC Education Academy Help Prepare Minges Brook Students for a Bright Future

Junior Achievement programs foster work-readiness, entrepreneurship and financial literacy skills, and use experiential learning to inspire students to dream big and reach their potential.

Local Calhoun Area Career Center students in the Education Academy are teaching the JA Ourselves Curriculum for Kindergarten and the JA Our Families Curriculum for 1st grade at Minges Brook. Each lesson is approximately 30 minutes. The student teachers use storybook characters in read-alouds and hands-on activities to teach young students about individual choices, money, the importance of saving and giving, and the value of work.



Riverside Afterschool Academy Extends Student Learning

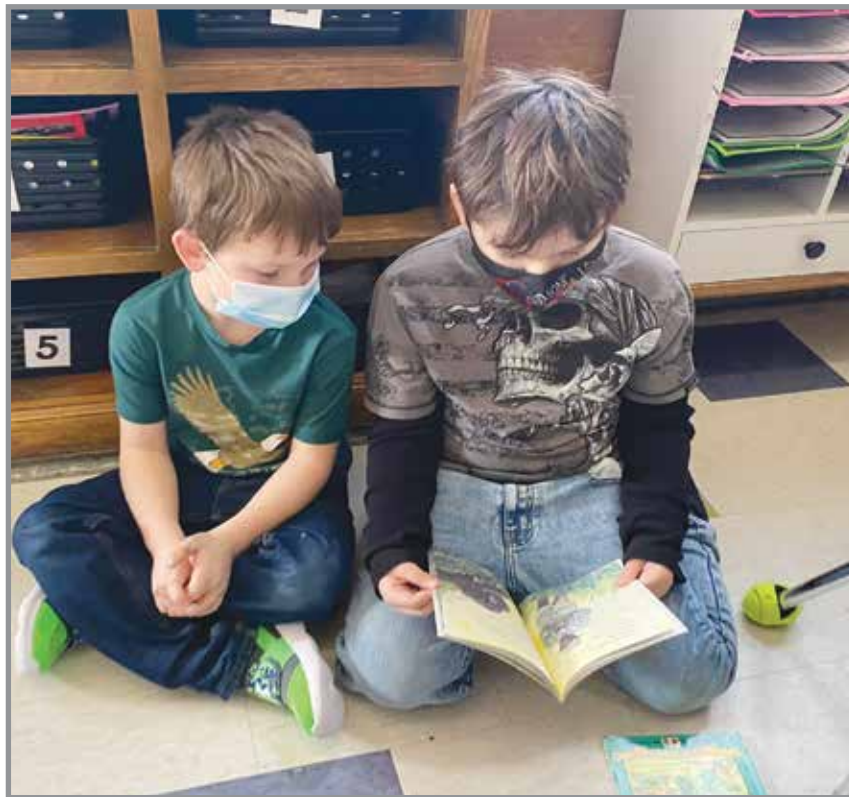
A group of Riverside students have committed to staying after school each week to work on their reading, writing, and math skills. Afterschool Academy affords students the opportunity to meet in small groups with a tutor and target specific academic skills that will make them more successful in the classroom.

Fourth grader Sammy Ramos has been working on analyzing different types of texts and learning how to organize his written responses. Sammy says he "likes talking about what we read and doing different activities to learn more about them. I also like reviewing our work with others in the group."

According to Riverside parent Maira Delacruz, who has three students attending the academy, "I love how Afterschool Academy is organized - small groups of students focused on instruction for an hour. I really appreciate the teachers investing extra time in our students' learning."

Prairieview 4th Grade Leaders Support Kinder Readers

Students in Miss Deibert's kindergarten class recently enjoyed a special, educational visit from their peers. Miss Werner's 4th grade students joined the kindergarten class as reading buddies. The older students modeled good reading habits while supporting their kindergarten partners' reading progress. These positive student interactions help all students develop reading skills and a joy for reading!



LSEF Centennial Fund to Support Lakeview Students and Alumni

Lakeview Schools Educational Foundation supports 100 Years of Spartan Pride! This year marks 100 years since the founding of Lakeview Schools.

To honor this occasion, we have opened the Lakeview Centennial Scholarship Fund. This scholarship will support high school seniors and/or junior and senior college students. Your financial support of this scholarship will help us accomplish this goal. Go to lsefspartans.org to donate.

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LMS Masque Addams Family a Hit!

What happens when 86 Lakeview Middle School and Lakeview High School students get together? They work hard and have fun practicing, perfecting, and sharing their talent in four amazing performances of Addams Family, Young at Part. This LMS Masque performance was directed by 4 high school students and the talented cast included 9 fifth graders, 18 sixth graders, 11 seventh graders, and 27 eighth graders. As always, thank you to Deanna Flora and Jeff Cachero for another successful production!



LMS Scientists Apply Learning to Life Experiences

Curious about something they may already have background knowledge of and experience with, students in Jennifer Lacy's LMS science class worked collaboratively to not "carve" but dissect pumpkins earlier this year. Students were working on learning the vocabulary of the scientific method and thinking like a scientist. It was a great learning experience and some students made intentions to plant the seeds they found. This led to great discussions about the type of environment the seeds needed in order to thrive.

Lakeview Board Seeks Nominations for Alumni & Community Awards

Lakeview's Board of Education is now accepting nominations for its Annual Distinguished Alumni, Outstanding Young Alumni and Community Spirit awards.

The Distinguished Alumni and Outstanding Young Alumni awards recognize Lakeview graduates who, through their careers and community service, have distinguished themselves amongst their peers. The Community Spirit Award recognizes an individual or organization for having a positive impact on the Lakeview School District.

Past recipients of the Distinguished Alumni Award include Broadway star Doug LaBrecque '82, and local community and business leaders Mary Jane Cipicic '67, Charles Burnham '69 and Dr. Peter Colquhoun '74. Morgan and Devin Kline '06 and Tha Par '10 are recent recipients of the Outstanding Young Alumni Award. Talia Champlin received the inaugural Community Spirit Award last year.

Nomination forms and award criteria are available on the district website at: www.lakeviewspartans.org/awards. The deadline for submission is March 1st.



Lakeview Spartans Are Socially Responsible Citizens

Both Lakeview Middle School Academies helped out the Santa's Helper program last holiday season by helping eleven local families. Students were responsible for bringing necessities to school for their families. Items included: non-perishable food, personal hygiene items, cleaning products and gifts for each member of the various families. The LMS community also provided cash donations, which were used to buy food and gift cards to be used for groceries. A very special Thank You to all of our students and families for your generosity in supporting Santa's Helper this year.

Lakeview High School National Honor Society students are grateful for the opportunity to support the Battle Creek community this school year through in-person service projects. NHS members helped out with a fall Humane Society cleanup project; served as ushers for Battle Creek Symphony concerts; volunteered for Salvation Army Bell Ringing; assisted at the South Michigan Food Bank and delivered home-made Valentine's cards to area seniors in assisted living facilities.

